

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

- 1                   1. (Original) A financing application processing method in an electronic-  
2 commerce transaction system where a seller-side terminal that applies a financing, a buyer-side  
3 terminal that establishes a transaction with said seller-side, and a center site that stores progress  
4 data on said transaction are connected to each other via a network, comprising the steps of:  
5                   said seller-side terminal transferring, to said center site, financing applying  
6 information including a target transaction set as a security and a suggested money-amount;  
7                   said center site that receives said financing applying information making an  
8 inquiry of said buyer-side terminal of said target transaction about a disclosure  
9 approval/disapproval of said progress data to a terminal of a financial institution connected to  
10 said network;  
11                   said buyer-side terminal receiving an input of said buyer so as to transfer, to said  
12 center site, said disclosure approval/disapproval in response to said inquiry; and  
13                   said center site that receives said disclosure approval/disapproval, in a case of  
14 receiving a disclosure approval, transferring, to said terminal of said financial institution,  
15 financing requesting information along with said progress data and said suggested money-  
16 amount.
- 1                   2. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2 1, wherein said center site, in a case of receiving a disclosure disapproval of said progress data,  
3 notifies said seller-side terminal that said financing application is disapproved.

1                   3. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2 1, wherein  
3                   said progress data includes an identifier for indicating whether or not said  
4 transaction is preset as said security; and  
5                   said center site, in a case where said identifier indicates that said transaction is  
6 preset as said security, notifying said seller-side terminal that said applying information can not  
7 be received.

1                   4. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2 1, wherein  
3                   said applying information includes a specification of said financial institution; and  
4                   said center site transferring said financing requesting information to said terminal  
5 of said specified financial institution.

1                   5. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2 1, wherein  
3                   said financial institution transfers, to said center site, an approval/disapproval of  
4 said financing in response to said financing requesting information; and  
5                   said center site that receives said approval/disapproval of said financing transfers  
6 said approval/disapproval of said financing to said seller-side terminal.

1                   6. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2 1, wherein  
3                   said terminal of said financial institution transfers, to said center site, a financing-  
4 capable money-amount in response to said financing requesting information; and  
5                   said center site that receives said financing-capable money-amount transferring  
6 said financing-capable money-amount to said seller-side terminal.

1                   7. (Original) A financing application processing method in a center site that is  
2 connected via a network to a seller-side side terminal applying a financing and a buyer-side  
3 terminal establishing a transaction with said seller-side, wherein  
4                   said center site  
5                   has a database for storing progress data on said transaction;  
6                   receives financing applying information including a target transaction set as a  
7 security and a suggested money-amount;  
8                   makes an inquiry of said buyer-side terminal of said target transaction about a  
9 disclosure approval/disapproval of said progress data to a financial institution; and  
10                  in a case of receiving a disclosure approval for said inquiry from said buyer-side  
11 side terminal, transfers, to said financial institution, financing requesting information along with  
12 said progress data and said suggested money-amount.

1                   8. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2 7, wherein, in a case of receiving a disclosure disapproval in response to said inquiry, said center  
3 site notifies said seller-side terminal that said financing application is disapproved.

1                   9. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2 7, wherein  
3                   said progress data includes an identifier for indicating whether or not said  
4 transaction is preset as said security; and  
5                   in a case where said identifier indicates that said transaction is preset as said  
6 security, said center site does not perform said inquiry to said buyer-side terminal, and notifies  
7 said seller-side terminal that said financing can not be received in response to said applying  
8 information.

1                   10. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2   7, wherein  
3                   said received applying information includes a specification of said financial  
4   institution; and  
5                   said financing requesting information is transferred to said specified financial  
6   institution.

1                   11. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in Claim  
2   7, wherein  
3                   said center site receives an approval/disapproval of said financing in response to  
4   said financing requesting information; and  
5                   said center site transfers said approval/disapproval information of said financing  
6   to said seller-side terminal.

1                   12. (Original) The financing application processing method as claimed in  
2   Claim 11, wherein, in a case of receiving an approval of said financing along with a financing-  
3   capable money-amount, said financing-capable money-amount is transferred to said seller-side  
4   terminal.